

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1737–S1798

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2006–2010. **Page S1782**

Energy Policy Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 517, to authorize funding for the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1743–75**

Adopted:

Craig Amendment No. 2995 (to Amendment No. 2917), to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program within the Department of Energy to develop advanced reactor technologies and demonstrate new regulatory processes for next generation nuclear power plants. **Pages S1743–44**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2993 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for both training and continuing education relating to electric power generation plant technologies and operations. **Page S1744**

Murkowski/Daschle Amendment No. 2996 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for rural and remote community development block grants. **Page S1745**

Pending:

Daschle/Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1743**

Feinstein Amendment No. 2989 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide regulatory oversight over energy trading markets. **Page S1743**

Levin Amendment No. 2997 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide alternative provisions to better encourage increased use of alternative fueled and hybrid vehicles. **Pages S1745–49**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Levin Amendment No. 2997 (listed above), at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2002, with a vote to occur thereon; followed by the consideration of certain amendments to be proposed. **Page S1797**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 13, 2002. **Page S1797**

Appointment:

American Folklife Center/Library of Congress: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 94–201, as amended by Public Law 105–275, appointed Dennis Holub, of South Dakota, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress, vice Janet L. Brown, of South Dakota.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia on Social Security; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–73)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Periodic Report on Telecommunications Payments Made to Cuba pursuant to Treasury Department Specific Licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–74)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 46), Ralph R. Beistline, of Alaska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Major General Charles F. Bolden, Jr., United States Marine Corps, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, which was sent to the Senate on February 26, 2002.

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Executive Communications: **Pages S1781–82**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**Pages S1783–92****Additional Statements:****Pages S1780–81****Amendments Submitted:****Pages S1792–97****Notices of Hearings/Meetings:****Page S1797****Authority for Committees to Meet:****Page S1797**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—46)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:49 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, March 13, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1798).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of State, after receiving testimony from Colin L. Powell, Secretary of State.

CLONING AND MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine cloning research, focusing on the clarification of how stem cell research, or therapeutic cloning, differs from human reproductive cloning, the ethical and public-policy issues related to both, and how best to achieve a balance in cloning legislation, after receiving testimony from former Senator Mack, on behalf of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; and Silviu Itescu, Columbia University Presbyterian Medical Center/New-York Presbyterian Hospital, Gerald D. Fischbach, Columbia University Departments of Health Sciences and Medicine, and Kevin Kline, all of New York, New York.

MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on current military operations from officials of the Joint Staff.

Committee recessed subject to call.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on special operations military capabilities, operational requirements,

and technology acquisition, after receiving testimony from Gen. Charles R. Holland, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, and Harry E. Schulte, Acquisition Executive, Special Operations Acquisition and Logistics Center, both of the U.S. Special Operations Command.

U.S. ECONOMY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the economic outlook of the United States, focusing on foreign economic policy, energy policy, and social security, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Solow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge; Joseph E. Stiglitz, Columbia University, and David R. Malpass, Bear, Stearns and Company, both of New York, New York; and Alan B. Krueger, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

FIRST RESPONDER INITIATIVE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003 for the First Responder Initiative, which would provide the Federal Emergency Management Agency with funding for State and local police, firefighters, and emergency medical professionals planning, equipment, training, and exercise programs, to enhance homeland security, after receiving testimony from Joe M. Allbaugh, Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Woodbury P. Fogg, Belmont, New Hampshire, on behalf of the National Emergency Management Association; Ed Wilson, City of Portland Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services, Portland, Oregon; Michael E. O'Neil, South Burlington Fire Department, South Burlington, Vermont; and Kenneth E. Zirkle, University of Findlay, Findlay, Ohio.

ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics, Risks, and Waste Management concluded hearings to examine the status of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) environmental enforcement program, including inspections and investigations, enforcement personnel, and an overview of the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, after receiving testimony from Eric Schaeffer, Rockefeller Family Fund, New York, New York, former Director, EPA's Office of Regulatory Enforcement; Scott H. Segal, Bracewell and Patterson, Washington, D.C.; and Barry L. Johnson, Emory University Rollins School of Public Health, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Physicians for Social Responsibility Environment and Health Program.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, created by the Welfare Reform Law of 1996, focusing on child care funding, welfare to work transitional Medicaid coverage, child support payment taxation, marriage promotion, and TANF waivers, receiving testimony from Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services; Robin Arnold-Williams, Utah Department of Human Services, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the American Public Human Services Association; Rodney J. Carroll, Welfare to Work Partnership, Washington, D.C.; and Gordon L. Berlin, Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation, New York, New York.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Jeanette J. Clark, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Louis Kincannon, of Virginia, to be Director of the Census, Department of Commerce.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 1800, to strengthen and improve the management of national security, encourage Government service in areas of critical national security, and to assist government agencies in addressing deficiencies in personnel possessing specialized skills important to national security and incorporating the goals and strategies for recruitment and retention for such skilled personnel into the strategic and performance management systems of Federal agencies, after receiving testimony from former Representative Hamilton, on behalf of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Studies; Donald J. Winstead, Assistant Director for Compensation Administration, Office of Personnel Man-

agement; Sheri A. Farrar, Assistant Director, Administrative Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Ruth A. Whiteside, Acting Director General of the Foreign Service and Director of Human Resources, Department of State; Ginger Groeber, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Civilian Personnel Policy, and Harvey A. Davis, Associate Director, Human Resources Services, National Security Agency, both of the Department of Defense; Susan S. Westin, Managing Director for International Affairs and Trade, General Accounting Office; and Ray T. Clifford, Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California.

HEALTH CARE AND THE UNINSURED

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Public Health held hearings to examine solutions to the problem of uninsured Americans, including proposed legislation that would amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide for FamilyCare coverage for parents of enrolled children, allow parents of disabled children to purchase Medicaid coverage, and allow for insurance coverage subsidies, and building upon existing public programs, such as the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and Medicaid programs, receiving testimony from Mark B. McClellan, Member, White House Council of Economic Advisors; Alan R. Weil, Urban Institute, Karen Pollitz, Georgetown University Institute for Health Care, Research and Policy, Cindy Mann, Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, and Ronald F. Pollack, Families USA, all of Washington, D.C.; and Vip Patel, eHealthInsurance, Inc., Sunnyvale, California.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Melanie R. Sabelhaus, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 3924–3949; 1 private bill, H.R. 3950; and; 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 85; H. Con. Res. 345–348, and H. Res. 364–365 were introduced. **Pages H832–33**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2341, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, to outlaw certain practices that provide inadequate settlements for class members, to assure that attorneys do not receive a disproportionate amount of settlements at the expense of class members, to provide for clearer and simpler information in class action settlement notices, to assure prompt consideration of interstate class actions, to amend title 28, United States Code, and to allow the application of the principles of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class actions, amended (H. Rept. 107–370);

A Citizens's Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records (H. Rept. 107–371);

H.R. 1712, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make minor adjustments to the boundary of the National Park of American Samoa to include certain portions of the islands of Ofu and Olosega within the park, amended (H. Rept. 107–372);

H.R. 2146, to amend title 18 of the United States Code to provide life imprisonment for repeat offenders who commit sex offenses against children, amended (H. Rept. 107–373).

H. Res. 366, providing for consideration of H.R. 2146, to amend title 18 of the United States Code to provide life imprisonment for repeat offenders who commit sex offenses against children (H. Rept. 107–374); and

H. Res. 367, providing for consideration of H.R. 2341, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, to outlaw certain practices that provide inadequate settlements for class members, to assure that attorneys do not receive a disproportionate amount of settlements at the expense of class members, to provide for clearer and simpler information in class action settlement notices, to assure prompt consideration of interstate class actions, to amend title 28, United States Code, and to allow the application of the principles of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class actions (H. Rept. 107–375). **Page H832**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ballenger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H787**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. David F. Russell, National Chaplain of the American Legion, Spotsylvania, Virginia. **Pages H791–92**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:03 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H791**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002: H.R. 2175, to protect infants who are born alive;

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Enhanced Border Security Act: H. Res. 365, providing for the concurrence by the House with amendments in the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 1885, to expand the class of beneficiaries who may apply for adjustment of status under section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by extending the deadline for classification petition and labor certification filings. The title was amended so as to read “An Act to enhance the border security of the United States, and for other purposes.” (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 275 yeas to 137 nays, Roll No. 53); **Pages H797–H810, H817**

District of Columbia College Access Act Technical Corrections: H. Res. 364, providing for the concurrence of the House with amendment in the Senate amendments to H.R. 1499, to amend the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 to permit individuals who graduated from a secondary school prior to 1998 and individuals who enroll in an institution of higher education more than 3 years after graduating from a secondary school to participate in the tuition assistance programs under such Act (The title was amended by the Senate so as to read: “An act to amend the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 to permit individuals who enroll in an institution of higher education more than 3 years after graduating from a secondary school and individuals who attend private historically black colleges and universities nationwide to participate in the tuition assistance programs under such Act, and for other purposes.”); and

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100th anniversary of the Bureau of the Census: H. Con. Res. 339, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Bureau of the Census on the 100th anniversary of its establishment. **Pages H813–16**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:57 and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H816**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Payments to Cuba: Message wherein he transmitted a semiannual report detailing payments made to Cuba as a result of the provision of telecommunications services pursuant to Department of the Treasury specific licenses—referred to the Committee on International Relations; and **Page H816**

Agreement between the United States and Australia on Social Security: Message wherein he transmitted the agreement between the United States and Australia on Social Security signed at Canberra on September 27, 2001—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–186). **Page H816**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page H817. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on Substance Abuse Mental Health Services, and the Administration on Aging. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Charles G. Curie, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and Josefina G. Carbonell, Assistant Secretary, Aging, Administration on Aging.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies held a hearing on EPA. Testimony was heard from Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator, EPA.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on the fiscal year 2002 National Defense Authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles S. Abell, Assistant Secretary (Force Manage-

ment Policy); Lt. Gen. Charles S. Mahan, Jr., USA, Deputy Chief of Staff (Logistics), Department of the Army; Lt. Gen. Michael E. Zettler, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff (Installations and Logistics), Department of the Air Force; Lt. Gen. Gary L. Parks, USMC, Deputy Commandant (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps and Rear Adm. Christopher W. Cole, USN, Director, Ashore Readiness Division, both with the Department of the Navy; Maj. Gen. Robert J. Courter, USAF, Director, Defense Commissary Agency; Read Adm. Steve W. Mass, USN, Commander, Navy Exchange Service Command; Maj. Gen. Charles J. Wax, USAF, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Brig. Gen. Michael Downs, USMC (Ret.), Director, Personnel and Family Readiness Division, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; John Molino, Deputy Secretary, (Military Community and Family Policy); Brig. Gen. Antonio M. Taguba, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center, Department of the Army; Rear Adm. Annette E. Brown, USN, Assistant Commander, Navy Personnel Command, Department of the Navy; Arthur Meyers, Director, Air Force Services, Department of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. Michael Downs, USMC (Ret.), Director, Personnel and Family Readiness Division; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on the fiscal year 2003 National Defense Authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WELFARE AT WORK

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing on "Welfare at Work: Ties Between TANF and Workforce Development." Testimony was heard from Sigurd Nilsen, Director, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; Gary Gardner, Acting Director, Department of Workforce Services, State of Utah; and a public witness.

REGULATORY ACCOUNTING

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "Regulatory Accounting: Costs and Benefits of Federal Regulations." Testimony was heard from John D. Graham, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Thomas M. Sullivan, Chief Counsel, Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on "Combating Terrorism: Protecting the United States—Part 1." Testimony was heard from Frank Keating, Governor, State of Oklahoma; Henry L. Hinton, Managing Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMBATING ILLEGAL GAMBLING REFORM AND MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3215, Combating Illegal Gambling Reform and Modernization Act.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE PROGRAM BUDGET

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Fiscal Year 2003 Forest Service Program Budget. Testimony was heard from Dale N. Bosworth, Chief, Forest Service, USDA.

TWO STRIKES AND YOU'RE OUT CHILD PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 2146, Two Strikes and You're Out Child Protection Act, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered open to amendment at any point. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner.

CLASS ACTION FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 2341, Class Action Fairness Act of 2001, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute rec-

ommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against such amendments. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Frank, Nadler, Lofgren and Waters.

WELFARE REFORM—PLAN TO BUILD ON SUCCESSES

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the Administration's Plan to Build on the Successes of Welfare Reform. Testimony was heard from Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of March 11, 2002, p. D206)

H.R. 2998, to authorize the establishment of Radio Free Afghanistan. Signed on March 11, 2002. (Public Law 107-148)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 13, 2002**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Commerce, 10:30 a.m., SD-116.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Library of Congress and the Congressional Research Service, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense Health Program, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Ballistic Missile Defense acquisition policy and oversight, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (105-178), 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert Watson Cobb, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the economic and environmental risks associated with increasing greenhouse gas emissions, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Robert Patrick John Finn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Afghanistan, 5 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to resume hearings to examine public health and natural resources, focusing on implementation of environmental laws, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine the worldwide connection between drugs and terrorism, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Supreme Court, 10 a.m., and on Small Business Administration, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Defense Transformation, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Department of Energy-Science, Nuclear Energy and Renewable Energy, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on Administrator of Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Forest Service, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Institutes of Health Fiscal Year 2003 Budget Overview, 11 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Housing Privatization, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on FAA, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on GSA, 10 a.m., H-144 Capitol, and on U.S. Postal Service, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies, on Office of Science Technology Policy, 9:30 a.m., and on Department of Defense-Civil, Cemeterial Expenses, Army, 10:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the fiscal year 2003 Department of Energy budget request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the fiscal year 2002 National Defense Authorization budget request, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Readiness, hearing on competitive sourcing/outscouring/A-76 and strategic sourcing, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, to mark up Fiscal Year 2003 Budget Resolution, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Education Reform, to mark up H.R. 3801, Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on "Assessing Mental Health Parity: Implications for Patients and Employers," 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "The 2003 Budget: A Review of the HHS Health Care Priorities," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 3763, Corporate and Auditing Accountability, Responsibility, and Transparency Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Affairs, hearing on "The Use and Abuse of Government Purchase Cards," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on U.S. and Europe: The Bush Administration and Transatlantic Relations, 1 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, oversight hearing on the National Academy of Science Interim Report on Endangered and Threatened Fishes in the Klamath River Basin, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing on the Energy Pipeline Research, Development, and Demonstration Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research, hearing on the NSF Budget: How Should We Determine Future Levels? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on "Subsidy Rate Calculation: Unfair Tax on Small Business," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on Port Security: Shipping Containers, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the Water Quality Financing Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Information program, with a review of VA's integrated systems architecture plan, Veterans Benefits Administration's VETSNET program, information security, Veterans Health Administration's Decision Support Systems, and the Government Computer-Based Patient Record Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fis-

cal Year 2003 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and H.R. 3669, Employee Retirement Savings Bill of Rights, 1:30 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, hearing on Unmanned Vehicle Programs, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 2646, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011, 4 p.m., HC-5 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 9:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of S. 517, Energy Policy Act.

At 11:30 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of Levin Amendment No. 2997 (to Amendment No. 2917), with a vote to occur thereon at approximately 11:50 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 2341, Class Action Fairness Act of 2002 (structured rule, one hour of debate).

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